

METHODIST BODY TO MEET.

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE IN CHARLESTON.

Over Two Hundred Ministers and Laymen Expected to Attend Annual Meeting.

Charleston, Nov. 27.—The annual meeting of the South Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, will begin with the conference session Wednesday morning at 9.30 in the Trinity Methodist church. Bishop Collins Denny of Richmond will preside at the meeting. There will be a session of the historical society Tuesday at 8 o'clock in Trinity church. A paper will be read at this meeting by the Rev. A. B. Betts of Ohio.

The South Carolina conference embraces all that part of the State south of a line running from the northern boundary of Aiken to the southern boundary of Chesterfield. This line passes just below Columbia. The upper part of the State is the Upper South Carolina conference. The division in the South Carolina conference took place at Sumter last year. The question of dividing the State into two conferences had been agitated for many years. It was only after a fight by the promoters of the idea last year that it was adopted. The Upper South Carolina conference has just held its annual meeting at Spartanburg.

Over 225 ministers and laymen of the Methodist church will gather here for the conference. The majority of these will be the delegates from the various congregations of the district.

The presiding officer of the conference, Bishop Collins Denny, will be one of the most distinguished divines of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, at the meetings. Bishop A. W. Wilson of Baltimore, Md., over 80 years of age and now retired from active work in the service, will be present at the meetings of the conference. The heads of the Methodist colleges in South Carolina are also expected to be present at the meetings. This will include Dr. Snyder of Wofford college, Dr. Wilson of Lamar college and Dr. Daniel of Columbia college. Some of the members of the various boards of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, will be present.

The regular work of the conference will begin with the conference session at 9.30 Wednesday morning, December 1, in Trinity church. This meeting will be opened with the celebration of the holy communion. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock the Rev. J. S. Beasley of Bennettsville will conduct the services. Dr. Beasley has been a member of the conference for 45 years, taking up his work in the conference in 1870 held in Charleston. In the evening at 8 o'clock, the anniversary service of the board of church extension will be held. An address will be made by the Rev. W. F. McMurry, D. D., of Louisville, Ky., the general secretary of the extension board of the Southern Methodist church.

Thursday at 9.30 there will be a conference session. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock, there will be preaching. The name of the minister who will conduct the service has not yet been selected. In the evening at 8.30, the anniversary service of the board of missions will be held. An address will be made by the Rev. E. F. Cook, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., the secretary of the board of missions of the Southern Methodist church.

Friday at 9.30 another conference session will be held. In the afternoon at 4 there will be preaching. In the evening at 8 o'clock the anniversary of the board of education will be held.

Saturday in the morning at 9.30, the conference is in session. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock there will be preaching. In the evening at 8 the anniversary service of the Epworth league will be held. The address of the service will be made by J. M. Culbreth of Nashville, Tenn.

Sunday morning at 9.30, a love feast will be held. In the morning at 11 there will be preaching by Bishop Collins Denny, the presiding elder of the conference. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock will be held the memorial session of the conference. At 8 p. m. there will be preaching.

The last conference session will be held Monday morning at 9.30. At this session appointments will probably be read.

Dishonest Advertisers Prosecuted.

Washington, Nov. 29.—A test case to determine whether dishonest advertising is a violation of the federal trade commission act will be brought by the Associated Advertising Clubs of America. The step was decided on at a hearing given the clubs by the commission.

Marriage License Record.

Permits to marry have been issued Henry Wilson and Drusilla John-fayesville; Willie Jackson, and Rebecca Benjamin, Solomon Hodge, Oswego, and Brown, Sumter.

CAUCUS TO PLAN PROGRAM.

DEMOCRATS IN CONGRESS WILL MEET TODAY.

Ushering in of Sixty-fourth Session Monday Will Bring Busy Day.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Organization of the sixty-fourth congress, which convenes next Monday, will begin tomorrow. Senate Democrats hold their caucus at noon and at the same hour ways and means committee Democrats of the house will undertake the task of parcelling out committee recommendations.

Tonight every train brought to Washington scores of senators and representatives who had postponed their coming until after Thanksgiving.

The senate caucus will be called to order by Senator Kern, the conference chairman. Daily sessions throughout the week are expected. A special committee which has had revision of the rules under consideration for several months will report recommendations including a modified form of cloture on debate designed to prevent endless filibusterings. Organization work of the senate majority is not expected to precipitate any clashes. Heads of committees upon which will fall the major portion of work for the coming session will not be disturbed. Senator Tillman of South Carolina will retain chairmanship of the naval affairs, Chamberlain of Oregon, military affairs; Stone of Missouri, foreign relations; Simmons, North Carolina, finance; Overman, North Carolina, rules; Owen, Oklahoma, banking and currency; Myers, Montana, public lands; Hitchcock, Nebraska, Philippines; Culberson, Texas, judiciary; Newlands, Nevada, interstate commerce, and Martin, Virginia, appropriations.

The retirement of Senators Root and Burton creates two important Republican vacancies in the foreign relations. Most of the important vacancies to be filled in other committees occur on the Republican side. Committee places must be found by the Democrats for six new members, Underwood, Alabama; Phelan, California; Beckham, Kentucky; Brunsard, Louisiana; Johnson, South Dakota and Husting of Wisconsin.

Work of reorganization in the house is a greater task owing to the reduction of the Democratic majority. Few changes in chairmanships of the principal committees are contemplated, however.

One of the most important tasks for the ways and means committee is reorganization of the committee on naval affairs in view of the defense programme. There are five Democratic vacancies on the committee, three advocates and two opponents of naval increase having been retired. Hobson of Alabama, Lee of Pennsylvania, Gerry of Rhode Island and Bathrick of Ohio, were not reelected. Representative Witherspoon of Mississippi died a few days ago. Representative Padgett of Tennessee will retain the chairmanship.

Representative Hay of Virginia will remain as chairman of military affairs; Fitzgerald, New York, appropriations; Floyd of Virginia, foreign affairs; Glass, Virginia, banking and currency; Webb, North Carolina, judiciary, and Alexander of Missouri, merchant marine.

The special budget committee of the house will meet tomorrow to make another effort to agree on some form of a budget system to recommend to congress.

Death of N. S. McLeod.

Nathan Shipp McLeod died at his home at Swimming Pens on Sunday morning at about 6 o'clock. His death came as the result of a stroke of paralysis received early Saturday night and was a great shock to his many friends throughout Sumter and Lee counties. Mr. McLeod was about 70 years of age and was a veteran of the War Between the States.

The funeral services were held this morning at Rembert Methodist church, Lee county.

Mr. McLeod was a native of the Swimming Pens section and lived there practically all of his life. He was a good farmer and highly esteemed as a man by all who knew him. He was twice married, first to Miss Pegues of Cheraw by whom the following sons and daughters survive: Messrs. W. D., H. R., Randolph, Nathan, Oswego; J. C., Sumter, T. P., Hartsville; Mrs. Emma Ellis, Hartsville; Mrs. French Hoyt and Mrs. Janie Bobbitt, Oswego. His second wife, by whom he had no children, survives him.

12 Cent Cotton Once More.

The Sumter Dry Goods Co. are determined to put Sumter in a prominent place as the leading cotton market by offering 12c for Middling Cotton. This is the right sort of booster spirit, the sort that will benefit Sumter and the farmers at large who can avail themselves of The Sumter Dry Goods Co's liberal proposition. We commend them for it.—Adv't.

COLUMBIA BANK GETS BONDS.

PALMETTO NATIONAL BANK BUYS PAVING BONDS FOR \$1,807 ABOVE PAR.

Bid of National Bank of Sumter Was Not Considered by Council—Issue of Bonds Will be in January—Other Matters Taken Up.

The Palmetto National Bank of Columbia will get the paving bonds to be issued by Sumter, their bid having been accepted on Saturday by Council at a special session called for the consideration of the bids on these bonds.

City Council met with all present, in accordance with the agreement made at the last session of Council, which was adjourned to meet again when all of the members could be present. The consideration of bids for the \$225,000 paving bonds was resumed, Messrs. J. Pope Matthews of the Palmetto National Bank of Columbia, B. Manning of the National Bank of Sumter and the presidents of the local banks being present. The bid of the National Bank of Sumter with the condition that the funds from the sale of bonds be deposited in their bank was taken up and the president of one of the local banks asked to be heard on this matter from a banking standpoint. Council recessed from business and the presidents of the local banks discussed the matter as bankers. On the reconvening of Council it was decided to accept the bid of the Palmetto National Bank of Columbia which was the highest bidder, their bid being \$1,807 premium with accrued interest, interest payable annually.

Mr. Brooker of the Concrete Paving Association invited Council to Detroit and other cities in the west and north to inspect the concrete paving, the trip to be made at the cost of the Concrete Association. Council seemed in favor of making this trip, provided time could be secured for it.

The city clerk was authorized to increase the rebate to the Sumter Lighting Company in proportion to the company's plant used for city purposes.

SUMTER COTTON MARKET.

Corrected Daily by Ernest Field, Cotton Buyer.

Good Middling 12.
Strict Middling 11 3-4.
Middling 11 1-2.
Strict Low Middling 11.
Low Middling 10.
Staple cotton 14 to 17c.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close	Yest'dys
Jan.	12.35	12.45	12.27	12.31	12.44
Feb.	12.61	12.74	12.54	12.61	12.94
May.	12.75	12.95	12.75	12.91	12.94

Notice.

My farm northwest of Sumter, on Stateburg-Providence road, adjoining lands of Holman and Folsom, and my land east of Sumter on the Mayesville road, adjoining lands of Shaw and Reams, are posted and all persons are warned not to trespass on same by hunting or otherwise.

C. P. OSTEEN.

WOMEN'S WOES.

Sumter Women are Finding Relief at Last.

It does seem that women have more than a fair share of the aches and pains that afflict humanity; they must "keep on," must attend to duties in spite of constantly aching backs, or headaches, dizzy spells, bearing-down pains; they must stoop over, when to stoop means torture. They must walk and bend and work with racking pains and many aches from kidney ills. Keeping the kidneys well has spared thousands of women much misery. Read of a remedy for kidneys only that is endorsed by people you know.

Mrs. C. H. Waddell, 117 Kendrick St., Sumter, says: "I had dull pains in the small of my back along with headaches and dizzy spells. The kidney secretions passed too freely giving me great annoyance. When I heard about Doan's Kidney Pills, I used them and they relieved all the ailments."

Price 50c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Waddell had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. 10

Geo H. Hurst,

Undertaker and Embalmer.

Prompt Attention to Day or Night Calls.

AT J. D. Craig Old Stand, N. Main

Phones Day 539 Night 201

ONE KILLED, THREE WOUNDED

SAM LEE SHOT TO DEATH AT OLANTA.

Son Olin Lee Seriously Hurt in Scuffle—George Ham and Charlie McElveen of Police Force Injured.

Olanda, Nov. 28.—As a result of a clash on Main street yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Sam Lee was killed and his son, Olin, perhaps fatally shot through the left lung. George Ham, policeman, was severely cut about the neck and face and Charlie McElveen, another policeman, received a blow on the back of his head with his own club.

Sam Lee was shot three times—in the leg, in the groin and in the abdomen. Olin Lee was shot immediately above the left nipple, the ball going almost straight through and coming out at the back. A physician of Florence was called in last night for consultation but nothing could be done. Physicians think that Olin Lee will die. Policemen Ham and McElveen are not seriously wounded. They will go to Florence tomorrow to give bond.

The occasion of the trouble is thought to date back two years ago, when Policeman Welch in arresting Sam Lee found it necessary to give him a severe thrashing. The affair yesterday as brought out at the inquest last night was started when Policeman Ham arrested Dr. H. B. Lee on a charge of adultery and placed him in jail. When Ham returned to Main street Carson Lee, son of the dead man, is said to have walked up to Ham, saying: "Why don't you arrest me?" Thereupon Ham caught him by the arm, and then both Carson, Lee and Olin Lee are said to have caught Ham and begun cutting him.

Policeman McElveen came to assist Ham and is said to have been caught by Sam Lee and others. Sam Lee wrenched McElveen's club from him and struck him on the back of the head. Sam Lee is said to have had his hand on McElveen's pistol when the latter began shooting. McElveen shot Sam Lee and it is thought that Sam Lee shot Olin Lee in the scuffle.

Ottawa, Nov. 29.—Trading in wheat in Canada has been brought to a standstill by the government seizing many million bushels, much of which belonged to Americans. Speculators who anticipated enormous profits have been thwarted. The owners will be paid a fair price. The wheat will be sent to England, Italy, Serbia, France and Montenegro for food.

ASKS MANNING ON PEACE TRIP.

HENRY FORD INVITES EXECUTIVE TO GO TO EUROPE ON COMMISSION SEEKING PEACE.

Columbia, Nov. 25.—Henry Ford, well known automobile manufacturer and peace advocate, wired Gov. Manning this morning an invitation to become a member of a committee of 100 prominent Americans whom he will take to Europe in an endeavor to settle the great struggle, and bring peace to that distracted continent. Mr. Ford in his telegram said that the party would sail from New York on December 4, on the Oscar II, of the Scandinavian American line for Christiana, Stockholm, and Copenhagen. He will wire representatives of the European nations to join the American committee, and at some point to be designated an International Court of Arbitration will be set up through which peace proposals will begin.

Gov. Manning was out of the city today visiting his friend Mr. Charles Stephens on the Cooper River, with whom he ate Thanksgiving dinner. He will return in the morning to his office and make known then his reply to the Detroit manufacturer's invitation.

The entire expenses of the expedition will be defrayed by Mr. Ford. Among the prominent Americans who have already accepted invitations to accompany him are Jane Addams, John Wannamaker and Thomas A. Edison.

Mr. Ford says that out of this effort he hopes for peace in Europe and international disarmament.

It is thought here that Mr. Ford has invited each of the governors of the forty-eight States to accompany him, and that William Jennings Bryan will certainly be a member of the party.

Press dispatches have quoted Mr. Ford as saying that he would willingly give his entire fortune to bring about peace. He is considered to be one of the wealthiest men in the United States. The following is copy of letter to the governor:

New York, Nov. 24, 1915.
"Gov. R. I. Manning, Capitol of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C.: Will you come as my guest aboard the Oscar II, of the Scandinavian American Line, sailing from New York December 4, for Christiana, Stockholm and Copenhagen? I am cabling leading men and women of the European nations to join us en route, and at some central point to be established later establish an International Conference dedicated to negotiations leading to a just settlement of the war. A hundred representative Americans are being invited, among whom Jane Addams, Thomas A. Edison and John Wannamaker have accepted today. Full letter follows. With twenty thousand men killed every twenty-four hours, tens of thousands maimed, homes ruined and another winter begun, the time has come for a few men and women with courage and energy, irrespective of the cost in personal inconvenience, money sacrifice and criticism to free the good will of Europe, that it may assert itself for peace and justice with the strong probability that international disarmament can be accomplished. Please wire reply Baltimore Hotel. Henry Ford."

Col. O. K. LaRouque, the governor's private secretary, today telegraphed Mr. Ford as follows:
"Your wire. Gov. Manning out of city today. Will reply on his return Friday morning."

DECLINES FORD'S INVITATION.

Official Duties and Meeting of the Legislature Detain the Governor.

Columbia, Nov. 27.—Gov. Manning yesterday declined the invitation of Henry Ford to join an European peace commission.

The following telegram was sent by the governor to Mr. Ford:

"I have your courteous, generous and patriotic invitation to join your party to visit Europe for the purpose of negotiating just settlement of the war. South Carolina legislature meets soon. This, with other imperative official duties, renders it impossible for me to accept. I realize the dreadful effects of this war and its far-reaching influences on us in this country. We will welcome a restoration of peace and trust that some means for honorable settlement can be found."

FIRE IN COTTON OIL MILL.

Loss to Plant at Eastman, Ga., \$215,000.

Eastman, Ga., Nov. 26.—For the second time in twenty-four hours fire broke out in the Trio Cotton Oil Mill at an early hour this morning, this time causing a loss of \$215,000, covered by \$175,000 insurance. State Senator John D. Walker, of Sparta, is the principal stockholder. The main building, seed house and meal house were destroyed, together with 2,200 tons of cotton seed, 600 tons of meal and cake and 50 bales of lint.

Do You Want to Save Money?

Do You Need Xmas Goods?

- ☞ Have you ever bought All Wool Blankets, full size, for \$3.95?
- ☞ When you buy at a Cost Sale do you buy all Silk Messaline at 67¢?
- ☞ Have you ever bought \$1 Dress Goods for 27¢?
- ☞ Does your boy need a 50¢ Shirt for 35¢?
- ☞ Do you need a \$1.00 Rug for 79¢?
- ☞ Have you ever bought \$1.00 Outing Gowns at 73¢?

Take notice, we are Going Out of Business, and we have marked down this stock at the lowest prices ever offered. This is your chance.

The Economy Store
4 S. Main Street Sumter, S. C.